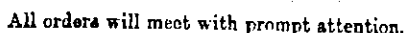


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A Large Assortment of Paperhangings
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Building Ironmongery, Carpenters and Miners'
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Will be prepared, on and after MONDAY, 14th
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The course of instruction will comprise all the
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Will be formed for teaching Fancywork, Sewing,
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ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT,
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Having arranged to devote my time exclusively
to these occupations, business entrusted to
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Agent for the New Zealand Fire Insurance
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D. MACKELLAR,

ACCOUNTANT and

GENERAL AGENT.

Manager of { Star of the East Quartz Mining
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pany, Registered;
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Having arranged with a Wholesale House in Dunedin to import goods through them direct from
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The public can therefore make sure of purchasing the

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DON'T FORGET THE GREAT DISCOUNT AT

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THE CHEAP DRAPER,

Has opened out permanently in Cromwell with a large and splendid assortment of

NEW AND FASHIONABLE GOODS,

SUITABLE FOR THE SEASON!

Ladies' Bonnets, Trimmed Hats, Silk Jackets,
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NOT TO BE EQUALLED IN PRICE OR STYLE,
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NO OLD STOCK! ALL PERFECTLY NEW
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J.S. can assure his customers and all intending
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lot of goods to select from in Cromwell.
One trial will convince anyone of the fact.

Men's, Youths', and Boys' Clothing in great
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Keickerbocker Suits.

Men's, Youths', and Boys' Straw Hats.

New Stock in Fancy Goods.

New Stock in Boots and Shoes.

New Stock in Crockery and Glassware.

New Stock in Jewellery.

The price of every article will be right, and
the goods will positively be sold at a small profit
to meet the times.

FRESH STOCK COMING TO HAND REGULARLY.

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ALL customers purchasing to the amount Five Pounds before BOXING NIGHT
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J. SOLOMON'S GRAND GIFT ART UNION.

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LADY'S GOLD WATCH; GENT'S SILVER WATCH; ELECTRO-PLATE TEA AND COFFEE
SERVICE; ONE PAIR GOLD EARRINGS; ONE PAIR GREENSTONE EARRINGS;
ONE GOLD BROOCH; ONE GOLD CROSS; ONE GENT'S GOLD
RING; ONE LADY'S GOLD RING.

THE ABOVE ARE NOW ON VIEW.

Cromwell

Cromwell Veterinary Shoeing Forge.
Next door to Kild's Cromwell Hotel.

EDWARD LINDSAY,
(Late of Clyde and Melbourne),

GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, AND
MACHINIST,

Begs to intimate to his customers and the gene-
ral public that he has REMOVED to his NEW
PREMISES, next to the Cromwell Hotel, Mel-
more Terrace, where he will carry on every de-
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heretofore.

E. LINDSAY begs to intimate to the Public
generally that he has gone to the expense of get-
ting a CAST-IRON BED FOR TIRING WHEELS on a new
principle, being the first introduced up-country,
which he will guarantee to give general satisfac-
tion; also, that he has made a reduction in the
price of Horse-shoeing.

LIGHT SHOES - - - 12s.
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EDWARD LINDSAY,

Veterinary Shoeing Forge.

JOHN W. THOMPSON,
FARRIER AND BLACKSMITH.

J. W. THOMPSON desires to announce to
the inhabitants of Cromwell and the District
that he has purchased the business lately carried
on by Mr JAMES SLOAN as Farrier and
Blacksmith. His long practical experience in
all branches of the business, combined with
moderate charges, will, he trusts, secure him a
fair share of public patronage.

**THOMPSON'S
VETERINARY AND SHOEING FORGE,
CROMWELL.**

BEFORE purchasing your WATCHES,
CLOCKS, and JEWELLERY, call on

E. MURRELL,

and inspect his CHOICE Stock of the above
articles.

As all his Watches and Clocks are TAKEN TO
PIECES, CLEANED, and ADJUSTED before they are
delivered, Customers may depend on getting an
article that will give satisfaction.

All kinds of WATCHES, CLOCKS, and
MUSICAL BOXES cleaned
and repaired.

Jewellery made and repaired.—Pipes mounted.

Observe the address:

NEXT MARSH'S BRIDGE HOTEL.



CROMWELL BUTCHERY
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A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on
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JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams,
Bacon, &c., always on hand.

* Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout
the district.

BEEF, BY THE QUARTER, 3d per lb.

**F. SANSON, SADDLER
AND**

HARNESS-MAKER,

Begs to inform the public that he is carrying on
business at the Premises lately occupied by Mr
Raven, in Cromwell, and trusts, by strict atten-
tion and moderate charges, to merit the public
patronage.

Collars, Pack-saddles, and Harness of every
description made on the premises.

Repairs done on the shortest notice.

J. B. LAKE,

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May be consulted at his Residence,

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STUART'S FERRY,
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Main crossing-place between Cromwell and the Nevis for Waggon, Drays, Horses, and Foot passengers.

Children attending School, Free.

THE FERRY HOTEL

Has first-class accommodation for Travellers.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,
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GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.P. — Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

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Begs to inform the Residents of BANNOCKBURN, NEVIS, PORTERS, &c., that in order to meet the increasing requirements of those districts, he has opened a Branch Establishment at Doctor's Flat, opposite Mr Richards' Store.

A good supply of TIMBER and IRON for Building and Mining purposes always on hand.

Best Material and Workmanship Cheap for Cash.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND & CO.,
(Late of Logantown),

GENERAL BLACKSMITHS & FARRIERS, Beg to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that they have removed to QUARTZVILLE, next to HAZLETT'S Carrick Range Hotel, where they hope, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of their patronage.

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,
QUARTZVILLE.

CHARLES PEAKE,
Proprietor.

The Proprietor, having recently purchased the above well-known and centrally-situated Hotel, is now in a position to offer first-class accommodation to all who may favour him with their patronage.

The Premises are fitted up and furnished on the most complete scale, and the arrangements for the comfort of visitors and travellers are second to none in the district.

COMMODIOUS BILLIARD ROOM, fitted with one of Julius Paser's full-sized tables

AN EXCELLENT SIX-STALLED STABLE, with careful groom always in attendance.

183 CHARLES PEAKE.

BANNOCKBURN COAL PIT

ORDERS for this COAL left with D. A. JOLLY & CO.

will be punctually executed.

JOHN DOVE.

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BANNOCKBURN FERRY COALPIT.

J. STUART, having opened out the seam of Coal previously worked by Messrs NICHOLAS and Co., has to announce to the public that he is prepared to supply COAL at reasonable prices to any part of the district.

The Coal is known to be of first-class quality; and as the pit is in good working order, customers may depend upon a regular supply.

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The largest and best-assorted stock of Wines, Spirits, Groceries, and Provisions in the district. A well-assorted stock of Boots and Shoes, Drapery, &c.

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THE Right Man in the Right Place.

W. J. BARRY

AT THE
PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL,
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The accommodation at the PRINCE OF WALES is unsurpassed. New rooms have lately been erected for private families; and visitors may depend upon every convenience and comfort, combined with moderate charges.

HOT DRINKS.

Hot Purl; hot spiced Ale and Porter; Coffee Royal; hot Coffee and Milk. Steamer always going.

PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL,
Corner of Beach and Rees Streets,
QUEENSTOWN.

In connection with the above, W. J. BARRY, Jun., begs to announce that he has taken

THE STABLES

in connection with the Hotel, and assures those who may favour him with their patronage that horses will be well and properly cared for.

LIVERY: 6s. per night.

English Grass Paddocks for Horses.

W. J. R., jun., has also to announce that on and after the 20th September, 1873,

A TWO and FOUR-HORSE COACH will run between Queenstown and Arrowtown, twice a week each way.

ROBERT BOYNE,
GENERAL STOREKEEPER
AND NEWS AGENT,
Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu.

A large stock of Groceries and other goods always on hand. Importer of English and Colonial Newspapers. Orders punctually attended to, and newspapers forwarded to any part of the district.

Agent for the CROMWELL ARGUS.

CARRON TIMBER YARD,
CAMP-STREET ... QUEENSTOWN,
LAKE WAKATIPU.

A. BOYNE, begs most respectfully to announce to the inhabitants of Cromwell and surrounding districts that, having made arrangements for a constant supply of Southland Building Timber (red and white pine and totara, thoroughly seasoned), he is prepared to retail the same at the following very low scale of prices:—

Feather-edged weather-boards, 20s per hundred feet
Scantling—white pine, 20s; red pine, 22s
Sluice-boards—white pine, 25s
Shelving, 22s 6d; dressed, 26s
T & G Lining, 6 x 3, 26s
T & G Flooring, 6 x 1, 28s.

A. B. has also for sale a good assortment of BUILDERS' IRONMONGERY; also, Door Sashes, American Lining, Shelving, and Turnery.

Oils, Paints, Varnish, &c.

All orders punctually attended to.

Wanaka

WANAKA HOTEL, PEMBROKE.

The above hotel, which is delightfully situated on the margin of the Wanaka Lake, offers to the tourist and pleasure-seeker advantages rarely to be met with.

The scenery in the neighbourhood is exceedingly picturesque; and on an island in the Lake there is excellent rabbit-shooting.

An excellent Four-stalled STABLE, and a PADDOCK, for horses.

THEODORE RUSSELL,
Proprietor.

Luggate

ALBION HOTEL AND STORE

LUGGATE,

28 miles from Cromwell, on the main road to Lake Wanaka.

H. MAIDMAN, Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation for the comfort and convenience of travellers.

Groceries, Clothing, Drapery, Ironmongery, Mining Tools, &c., &c., constantly on hand, at Cromwell prices.

GOOD STABLING.

N.B.—District Post Office.



CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB RACE MEETING.

Friday and Saturday, 26th and 27th December, 1873.

STEWARDS:

MESSRS J. B. LAKE
I. LOUGHNAN
JAMES COWAN

MESSRS DAVID A. JOLLY
ROBERT KIDD
GEORGE M. STARKEY

HANDICAPPER: Mr JOHN WRIGHTSON.

JUDGE: Mr JAMES TAYLOR.

CLERK OF THE COURSE: Mr OWEN PIERCE.

STARTER: Mr JAMES DAWKINS.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

MAIDEN PLATE of 30 sovs. For horses that have never won an advertised prize of over 25 sovs. Weight for age. Distance, one mile and a half. Entrance, £2 2s.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Distance, one mile and a half. Nomination, £1 1s.; acceptance, £2 2s.

MINERS' PURSE of 15 sovs. For all untrained horses that have never won an advertised prize of over 15 sovs. Distance, 3 mile heats. Entrance, 20s. No weight less than 10st. Post entry.

FLYING HANDICAP of 40 sovs. Distance, one mile. Nomination, £1 1s.; acceptance, £1 1s. Winner of Grand Stand Handicap to carry 7lbs penalty.

SELLING STAKES of 25 sovs. Entrance, 30s. Weight for age. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race, and any surplus to go to the race fund. The winner to be sold for £25: if entered to be sold for £20, allowed 7lbs; for £15, allowed 14lbs; for £10, allowed 21lbs. Distance, one mile.

SECOND DAY.

CROMWELL DERBY: a sweepstake of £4 4s., h. ft., with £40 added. Second horse to receive 20 per cent. of the stakes. Entrance, £2 2s. on nomination, and balance of sweep, £2 2s., to be made good on night of general entry. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 5lb. Entries closed.

JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP of 100 sovs., with a sweepstake of £3 3s. each. Second horse to receive amount accruing from sweepstake. Distance, two miles. Nominations, £2 2s.; acceptances, £3 3s.

HACK SELLING RACE of 15 sovs. Winner to be sold for £15. Surplus to go to the race fund. For all untrained horses. Distance, one mile. Entrance, 20s. No weight under 9st. Post entry.

STEWARDS' PURSE of 50 sovs. Entrance, £3. Weight for age. The winner to be sold (with his engagements) by auction immediately after the race, and any surplus to go to the race fund. The winner to be sold for £50: if entered to be sold for £40, allowed 7lbs; for £30, allowed 14lbs; for £20, allowed 21lbs; for £10, allowed 28lbs. Distance, a mile and a half.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP of 25 sovs. Distance, one mile. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s.

Nominations for Grand Stand and Flying Handicaps to be made on 5th December, at 8 p.m. Weights to be declared in CROMWELL ARGUS of 9th and Otago Daily Times of 10th. Acceptances to be handed in at or before 8 p.m. on December 24.

Nominations for Jockey Club Handicap to be made on December 5. Weights to be declared on 26th, and acceptances to be received up till 10 a.m. on 27th December.

General Entries will be received up till 8 p.m. on 24th December.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Mares and geldings allowed 3lbs.

No entries will be received for any of the above races except on this condition: That all disputes, claims, and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by the Stewards, or whom they may appoint. Their decision upon all points connected with the carrying out of the programme shall be final.

No person shall be allowed to enter or run a horse for any race in this programme, post entry races excepted, unless the latter be qualified as the bona fide property of a subscriber of not less than £3 3s. to the race fund.

Entries will be received by the Secretary before 8 p.m. on the 24th December, entrance money enclosed, with name, age, and pedigree

(if any) of the horse, name of owner, and colours of the rider.

Any jockey riding except in the colours entered will be fined £2.

Five per cent. will be deducted from the gross amount of all stakes for expenses.

Horses walking over will receive 50 per cent. of the stakes.

The Dunstan Jockey Club Rules will be strictly enforced.

Any person entering a protest must deposit £2, and should such be deemed frivolous by the Stewards, the amount will be forfeited.

N.B.—No entries or acceptances will be received on any pretence whatever after the time specified.

WILLIAM MACNAB, SECRETARY.

CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Reading-room is open to Subscribers on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

The Library contains an extensive variety of Books in every department of literature; and about £40 worth of New Works is expected to arrive shortly from Great Britain.

All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly received for the use of Subscribers.

Annual Subscription, £1 1s; Half-Yearly 12s 6d; Quarterly, 7s 6d.

WILLIAM TAYLOR,

BOOTMAKER,

MELMORE STREET ... CROMWELL,

Has a large and varied stock of Boots and Shoes on hand, of the best quality.

An inspection of the stock is invited.

Boots and Shoes made to order in the latest and most approved fashion.

ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

PRICES MODERATE.

NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS will be laid on MOUNT PISA STATION on and after this date.

I. LOUGHNAN.

Mount Pisa, 12th May 1870.—27tc

SWAN BREWERY,
CROMWELL.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE,
Proprietors.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE are now prepared to supply their unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity.

Orders left with Mr G. W. GOODGER, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

To FARMERS.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE will be purchasers during the forthcoming season of any quantity of GOOD MALTING BARLEY.

GOODGER & KUHTZE.

J. C. CHAPPLE,
AUCTIONEER.

Any orders for Sales in the Cromwell District may be left at the ARGUS Office, and will meet with prompt attention.

ELIZABETH QUARTZ MINING CO., REGISTERED.

Wanted, a MINE MANAGER; also, a person capable of managing the MILL department. Apply by letter to

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Legal Manager.

FOR IMMEDIATE SALE.

I. HALLENSTEIN and Co. invite offers for the PURCHASE (to remove within a time to be agreed upon) of the IRON STORE and COTTAGE adjoining Mr Starkey's Kawaran Hotel. Both buildings are substantially built, and could be easily removed.

For further particulars, apply to
Mr ARNDT.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

Messrs HAYES & WILLIAMS
Are now prepared to SUPPLY COALS in any quantity.

CROMWELL COALPIT.

MINING LEASES REGULATIONS.

PROVINCE OF OTAGO, NEW ZEALAND.

Cromwell, 8th Nov., 1873.

To the Warden at Cromwell.

SIR,—I have paid to the District Surveyor the sum required for the survey of the following Gold Mining Lease application, as required by the Mining Leases Regulations of Otago, and I agree upon the approval of this application, to execute a lease upon the bases therein stated, if the Governor or his Delegate shall think fit to grant the same.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

THOMAS HAZLETT.

Name and address in full of applicant.—Thomas Hazlett, Doctor's Flat, Bannockburn.

Style under which it is intended to conduct the business.—Hazlett and Co.

Extent of land applied for.—Ten acres.

Minimum number of men to be employed by the lessee.—For the first six months, four men; subsequently, when in full work, five men.

Amount of capital proposed to be invested.—£1000.

Proposed mode of working the land.—Tunneling and ground slicing.

Precise locality.—Doctor's Flat, Bannockburn.

Term for which lease is required.—10 years.

Time of commencing operations.—After survey.

The above application and any objection thereto will be heard before me at Cromwell, on 28th November, 1873. Any person desiring to object to the issue of a Mining Lease upon the above application must, within 18 clear days from the date of such application, enter his objection at my office.

W. LAWRENCE SIMPSON,
Warden.

ARROW FLOUR MILLS.

To Runholders, Storekeepers, Bakers, and others.

Messrs BUTEL BROS. have much pleasure in announcing that they have appointed D. A. JOLLY & Co., of Cromwell, as their agents for the sale of their SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN, and POLLARD.

JOLLY & Co. will be prepared to promptly execute orders within a radius of Sixty Miles.

FLOUR GUARANTEED.—TERMS LIBERAL.



THE CLYDESDALE ENTIRE HORSE

THANE OF CLYDE.

Will travel this Season in the CROMWELL, CLYDE, and BLACKS Districts.

YOUNG THANE OF CLYDE is by that well-known Sire, Thane of Clyde, imported; dam Kate, imported by W. C. HILL, Esq., Croydon Southland.

YOUNG THANE OF CLYDE is a dark dappled bay, stands 16½ hands high, rising 5 years old, has fine symmetry and unequalled action, with a splendid temper.

He travelled last season in the Mataura district, and has proved himself a sure foal-getter.

Terms, £3 10s, payable on the 1st February, 1874; groomage, 5s., to be paid at time of service.

THOMAS GILMOUR,
Proprietor, Clyde.

DIVINE WORSHIP

will be held as follows:—

30th inst.—Bannockburn, Afternoon; Cromwell, Evening.

B. DRAKE.

NOTICE.

THE usual half-yearly MUSTER OF CATTLE on Run 354 (Glen Nevis Station), will commence on MONDAY, the 1st day of December next. Mr LANE will be in attendance for the purpose of SPAYING CATTLE. Any persons wishing to have cattle spayed will intimate the same to W. MASTERS before that date.

After the 21st of the present month, the terms for grazing cattle on the above run will be 15s per head per year, payable in advance at the Spring Mustering.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby cautioned against SETTING FIRE TO GRASS on Run 354, and any person found firing the country will be prosecuted after this date. By order of the lessee.

WM. W. MASTERS.

TENDERS will be received, up till noon on FRIDAY, 28th instant, at the CROMWELL ARGUS Office, for the erection of a SCHOOLMASTER'S RESIDENCE at Bannockburn. Plans and specifications may be seen at the ARGUS Office.

Tenders are to be addressed to the Secretary, Bannockburn School Committee.

W. BENNETT,
Secretary.

New Advertisements.

I HEREBY APOLOGISE to Mr JAMES T. H. BROWN, of Bannockburn, for my conduct towards him on the 13th inst.

JOHN PARK.

Bannockburn, November 20, 1873.

CARRICK RANGE WATER SUPPLY CO., REGISTERED.

NOTICE is HEREBY GIVEN that a FURTHER CALL of TWO SHILLINGS per SHARE is made payable to me at the Company's office, Melmore-street, Cromwell, on or before WEDNESDAY the 10th day of December next ensuing.

D. MACKELLAR,
Manager.

LUCKNOW QUARTZ MINING CO., REGISTERED.

The HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at HEPBURN, M'LANDRESS, and Co.'s Office, Mauncie-street, Dunedin, on WEDNESDAY, 10th December, at 3.30 p.m.

THOS. BLACK,
Legal Manager.

NOTICE.

SHEARING will commence at Gallopway Station on MONDAY, 8th DECEMBER. Terms, 20s. per hundred. Tablemen and Pressers wanted; also, a couple of Cooks.

CAMPBELL & LOW.

OTAGO GOLD FIELDS.

APPLICATION FOR MAIN TAIL RACE.

District of Dunstan.

Cromwell, 22nd Nov. 1873.

To the Warden at Cromwell.

We, the undersigned, being a majority in number of persons from whose claims water or tailings flow to a common outlet at Kawarau River, hereby make application for a Main Tail Race, commencing at the head of Smith's Gully and terminating at the Kawarau River.

And we declare the following particulars to be true in every respect:—

The length of such race is about seven miles.

The average depth is two feet.

The average width is ten feet.

OWEN O'NEILL
JAS. TAYLOR, Carrick Co.
JOHN P. SMIDDY
CHARLES KOCH
FREDERICK JELLY
HENRICK BEIRRENS
HENRY BURROWS
WILLIAM BURROWS
PETER WILSON
LAUS PETERSEN.

N.B.—Objections to the above application must be lodged with the Warden within thirty days from the date hereof.

B. F. BAIRD,
pro Warden.

AUCTION SALE.

EAMES & STANBROOK

Have received positive instructions from Mr EDWARD McNULTY, who is leaving the Province, to sell by public auction on WEDNESDAY, the 24th December 1873, at two o'clock p.m.,

That well-known public-house, the ROARING MEG HOTEL, situated on the main road to Queenstown. In connection with the hotel, is a large GARDEN well stocked with Fruit Trees. The hotel contains seven bedrooms, two parlours, dining room, bar, and kitchen. There is also a good FIVE-STALLED STABLE with Feed-house attached.

At the same time also will be sold the whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of double and single iron bedsteads, sofas, chests of drawers, cheffonier, stoves, crockery, and a quantity of kitchen utensils.

FIVE PADDocks UNDER CULTIVATION,—in all about twenty acres,—well and securely fenced, the whole of the crops at the present time presenting a most promising appearance.

Also, at same time and place,
One Waggon and Harness
Four Horses.

The auctioneers beg to draw attention to the above most desirable property, as, from its excellent position and capabilities, a most lucrative trade can be done at all times. To persons desirous of settling down permanently, this valuable opportunity should not be lost sight of.

Remember day of sale:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1873.

EAMES & STANBROOK,
AUCTIONEERS.

LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT!!

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GRAND DISPLAY

—OF—

NEW SUMMER DRAPERY!

The Inhabitants of Cromwell will be offered, at
ASTONISHINGLY LOW PRICES,

The choicest lot of goods ever opened out in the
Cromwell District.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF HIS ARRIVAL WILL BE GIVEN.

£2 REWARD.

THE above Reward will be paid to any one giving the undersigned information as to the whereabouts of FOUR BULLOCKS, which strayed off the Cromwell flat about three weeks ago, and are supposed to have gone in the direction of the Lindis.

Two of the above are strawberry in colour, one brindle, and one red; and all are branded H on near rump, and are slit in near ear.

OWEN PIERCE.

TENDERS will be received at the DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Cromwell, until SATURDAY, December 6, for the following works:—

1. Forming and Graveling 65 chains of road between the Brewery and Cromwell.
2. Forming and Graveling 85 chains of road near Mr Carline's residence.

Specifications at Police Camp, Cromwell.

THOMAS FERGUS,
District Engineer.

TENDERS are required for the erection of a WOOD and IRON COTTAGE in Melmore-street, opposite the Post-office.

Tenders are to be sent in before SATURDAY first.—For full particulars, apply to the undersigned.

Mrs E. REID.

CORPORATION OF CROMWELL.

AN EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY having occurred in the office of AUDITOR for the Corporation, NOMINATIONS for that office will be received on THURSDAY, 4th December next ensuing, at 12 o'clock noon.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,
Town Clerk.

WANTED, A SERVANT.—Apply

Mrs KELLY, Golden Age Hotel.

WANTED, a young woman as GENERAL SERVANT.—Apply to

Mrs LAWRENCE,
Quartzville.

THE REV. FATHER COLEMAN

WILL CELEBRATE MASS

IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CROMWELL,

ON SUNDAY, NOV. 30.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

SERVICES will be held as follows:

November 30.—Cromwell.

December 7.—Gorge; Bannockburn; Cromwell.

December 14.—Cromwell.

December 21.—Gorge; Bannockburn; Cromwell.

J. JONES.

CROMWELL KILWINNING LODGE (S.C.)

The REGULAR MEETING of the above Lodge will be held on WEDNESDAY, 3rd December. Business: Election of Officers.

By order of the R.W.M.



CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB.

Messrs EAMES and STANBROOK

Will sell by auction in the Town-hall on FRIDAY, 5th December, at 2 o'clock, the right to occupy the GRAND STAND, SADDLING Paddock, and to sell CARDS for the forthcoming Annual Meeting.

W. MACNAB,
Secretary.

DEATH.

On Friday, 21st instant, at Kawaran Gorge, (accidentally killed in his claim,) JOEL CHAPMAN, aged 26 years.

Cromwell Argus, AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1873.

IN accordance with our promise lately, and with a view to pursuing the subject to a more satisfactory issue, so far as the people are concerned, we shall now endeavour to set forth an analysis of the law by which the runholder exercises his rights over the country in his possession. We have endeavoured to do so without prejudice on the one side or the other, and without, at this time, any comment of our own.

By the Otago Waste Lands Act 1866, a radical change was effected in the runholders' rights in this Province. Under this Act leases (long coveted) were issued to the former licensees on application in nearly every case,—the result being, that the runholders obtained a comparative certainty of tenure for terms varying from ten to sixteen years. The form of lease is very simple, and the requirements of the lease are only to be found in the Act itself. These requirements are re-enacted by the Otago Waste Lands Act 1872, which now contains law upon this subject. These are: That the lessee, for the purpose of the ascertainment of rent, and also indirectly for statistical purposes, shall furnish annually in September a return of all great and small cattle under his charge, verified by declaration, with penalties providing against fraud by misstatement or removal; that the rent of seven-pence per head for sheep, and three shillings and sixpence per head for cattle, shall be paid in advance, the first fortnight of each October, with power of distress, so that in the event of the run being understocked, the Board may direct that the carrying capacity shall be ascertained by assessors, whose finding shall be binding on lessee; that in case the lessee objects to continue to occupy under such finding, he shall give notice thereof to the Waste Lands Board, and at the expiration of twelve months the lease shall be deemed to be forfeited, and in the event of a notice of such forfeiture, any time after the twelve months has expired, being published in the Otago Gazette, if the lessee continue in possession he shall be liable to be proceeded against as an unlicensed occupier of Crown lands; that in case of forfeiture the lessee shall be entitled to compensation for improvements, to be paid by the succeeding

tenant, but that there shall not exist any claim against the Government or the Board. When the term expires, fresh leases may be offered for sale by auction, if the Superintendent approves; but it must first be determined whether it is expedient to lease for the same purpose all or any part of the lands, and this determination must be arrived at more than twelve months before the expiring of the then existing lease. It is provided that leases may be transferred with the sanction of the Board, and they are liable to forfeiture for nonpayment of rent. The Governor, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Provincial Council, may, upon petition stating that within a circle of five miles in diameter not fewer than fifty adults have settled, who are occupying not less than 5000 acres and have made improvements not less than £1000 in value, proclaim a hundred not exceeding six times the area of the settled block; but one-third at least of this must be available for agriculture. In such event, the lease determines that the lessee is entitled to compensation for improvements, and the first offer to purchase a lot not exceeding eighty acres on which his homestead is erected. Subject to what we have already stated, no lands can be taken from the lessee without his consent. The rights and privileges conferred on the miner by the Gold-fields Act 1866, do not appear to be impaired in any way, (although it is doubtful if he ever really had any,) as the Impounding Ordinance of 1872 does not provide any scale of charges for impounding off lands other than lands fenced in accordance with the provisions of the Fencing Ordinance 1872. The runholder is precluded from charging damages for trespass, and has no remedy therefor save that provided by the 15th section of the Gold-fields Act,—viz., suing for the amount in Court. The Governor has power at any time to cancel or suspend any depasturing lease as regards the whole or any part of the run comprised therein, in which event the lessee can claim compensation. Every holder of a run outside of a Gold-field may purchase 640 acres freehold; and within a Gold-field may obtain the same quantity of land on the terms and conditions on which Gold-fields agricultural leases are granted; and if after three years the lessee proves that the land is not auriferous, he is entitled to purchase the freehold at 20s. per acre.

It is reported, and we have reason to believe it is correct, that the price of gold will be reduced, on and after the 1st of December, from £3 16s. to £3 15s. per ounce.

A "Cosmopolitan" asks information as to the number of electoral votes given by the State of New York at the Presidential elections of 1856 and 1872. Will any of our other cosmopolitan readers kindly furnish the information? We confess our inability.

At the sitting of the District Court last week at Clyde, there were no cases of any great importance heard. The only three in any way affecting our immediate district, were those of George Manson, A. McLaughlin, and Jules La Fontaine. In all three cases a final discharge was granted.

We hear that 170 signatures have been obtained at the Bannockburn to the petition which is to be lodged in the form of an objection to the granting of leases to the Premier Mining Company and to Messrs Hazlett and Co. There can be no doubt such a largely-signed petition will have considerable weight in settling the fate of the applications.

Mr Clapcott had a very successful meeting at Bendigo on Saturday evening last, 22nd instant. A good many attended, and appeared to enjoy his lecture on the Government Life Insurance scheme, and the reading selections which followed at its close. We are glad to hear that Mr Clapcott has been tolerably successful in his canvass of this district, and that he has added a good number to the roll of Life Insurers.

Mr Dawkins had a very narrow escape on Saturday evening last, on the road about half a mile above the Kawarau Gorge township. When passing the place where Messrs Redhead and McWinn are re-forming the road, the cart upset, and Mr Dawkins was caught underneath the wheel which came upon the ground. As the cart was loaded with chaff, it was impossible for him to extricate himself. Fortunately, however, the horse kept his feet and stood perfectly still, and Mr Dawkins, with the aid of the seat-board as a lever, was able, after half an hour's hard work, to gradually release himself from his dangerous predicament. He has not escaped, however, without being considerably bruised.

Mr J. McKerrrow has been appointed Chief Surveyor in room of Mr Thomson, resigned. Mr McKerrrow is an apprentice of his predecessor, and has been actively engaged in the Survey Department of the Government service for fully fourteen years. Mr McKerrrow first entered the Government service in 1859, as a sub-assistant surveyor. He passed creditably through all the grades, and was appointed Inspector of Surveys, in 1863. He conducted a reconnaissance survey over the Lake Districts to the dividing range of the West Coast, and subsequently a standard geodesical survey over all the available part of the province. If our memory serves us rightly, the reports on the reconnaissance survey not only excited much interest at the time in Otago, but were also read before the Royal Geographical Society of London, and specially referred to by Sir Roderick Murchison, in his Presidential Address, in 1864.

Mr Sewell has resigned his seat in the Legislative Council.

Mr Robert Kidd is the successful tenderer for the Carlons and Nevis mails.

Mr J. Marshall's letter in re Bannockburn Library is unavoidably held over till next week.

We are informed that Mr M. Hallenstein, the Melbourne partner of the firm of I. Hallenstein and Co., has completed arrangements to start shortly in Dunedin an extensive clothing factory, equal to the largest establishment of a similar nature in Melbourne.

Accounts from the Haast are to the effect that about 100 persons are on the rush, many getting payable gold. Fox and party are bringing in a race for ground sluicing. The miners are sending for their mates, and more confidence is beginning to be felt in the permanency of the place.

At a recent Mudjee election, as is set forth in a petition before the Parliament of New South Wales, no fewer than 239 persons voted twice, 61 voted thrice, and 14 voted four times; making the handsome number of 478 spurious votes duly recorded in this one election!

From the *Tuapeka Times* we learn that the Clark's Hill tunnel is in about 950 feet, and the winze of the Gabriel's Gully Quartz Company is down over 80 feet. The workmen in either place can now hear the others working. The men working in the Clark's Hill tunnel report that a little water is beginning to appear in their face, so that some change may be expected soon.

The fears entertained respecting the non-recovery of Mr James Stumbles, one of whose legs was amputated in consequence of injuries received at the Mussel Bay works, have unfortunately been verified. After lingering in a state of unconsciousness for many hours, Mr Stumbles died in the Hospital shortly before eight o'clock on Tuesday in the presence of his wife, brother, and a number of friends.—*Daily Times*.

Amongst the items of news contained in a late Wellington *Independent* is an account of the death of Mr Houghton's well-known dog named "Bully." It is stated that this "sweet beast" knew all the older members of Parliament, but was puzzled with the new ones of last session, and that he was a constant attendant at Parliament House during the session. The cause of death was poison—whether accidentally taken or not seems to be a mystery.

At the late sittings of the Supreme Court at Wanganui, before Mr Justice Johnson, there were no less than three cases of indecent assault. In two cases the accused were discharged through technical difficulties, and in consequence of the tender age of the witnesses. In the third case the prisoner pleaded guilty. Evidence was adduced that the prisoner had previously served a sentence of six months for an indecent assault, and had been tried for another similar charge, but acquitted. His Honor said it was his intention to inflict a sentence which would be exemplary, and then ordered the prisoner 15 years' penal servitude.

The Freemasons of Canterbury have resolved to establish three scholarships, "which, while assisting the parents of the successful competitors in their education, would also fully enunciate the principles of the order." They are to be of the annual value of £25, each tenable for three years; one is to be competed for each year, and "open to the children of subscribing Masons, and to the children of deceased Masons, who may have been subscribing members within five years from the date of decease to any lodge in Canterbury." The age of competitors is limited to twelve.

The *Bruce Herald* has the following:—"A portion of an editorial footnote to a letter in our contemporary the *Tuapeka Times* reads as follows:—'We are glad to learn that school matters at Blacks are prosperous. We know that, educationally, Blacks should be a prosperous school, because the first Government teacher there produced intellectual effects, which were officially and locally acknowledged to be of a very superior character. But we also know that that first teacher resigned in disgust, because the attendance was not commensurate with his indefatigable perseverance.' The modesty of the writer would have been complete had the paragraph concluded: 'That first teacher is now Editor of the *Tuapeka Times*.'"

The amateur entertainment given in aid of the Bannockburn school funds came off in the Schoolhouse on Friday evening last. The attendance was excellent, as is evidenced by the fact that the proceeds were some £16. Part first of the programme was gone through very creditably. One only of the two promised lady amateurs put in an appearance, and she sang "Sweet Evelina" very nicely. Among the male performers, comic songs predominated; still, the sentimental was not altogether wanting, and of this class Mr R. Campbell's "Jessie's Dream" deserves special mention. Mr Clapcott wound up the first part by a couple of his readings, and it is needless to say that they were greatly appreciated. The "nigger business" formed part two of the programme, and those constituting the troupe fully sustained the reputation the Bannockburn Minstrels and Jaw-breakers formerly earned in that line. An unfortunate disturbance which arose in the lower end of the hall shortly after the darkies came on, had the effect of withdrawing attention from their performances for a while. The fun-loving "Bannockbites," as somebody once called them, loved the nigger business well, but a little better; and order was not restored until "Mr Johnson" had threatened the audience that he and all his lieutenants would quickly disappear and wash their faces if the row continued. Then the audience begged pardon, and atoned for past offence by thenceforth giving all their attention to the songs and jokes.—the former of which were very good and the latter, with one or two exceptions, only middling. At the conclusion Mr Bennett came forward and thanked those present for their attendance, intimating also that a dance would then commence. The forms being cleared away, the music struck up, and the light fantastic was indulged in by a pleasant and merry company until close upon four a.m., Mr E. Barnes acting most efficiently as M.C.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

DUNEDIN.

TUESDAY, 9 a.m.

A meeting of leading stock and share-brokers has been held for the purpose of forming an association, to be called the Dunedin Brokers' Association. Preliminaries are being arranged.

Mr Thomson still retains the Chief Commissionership of Waste Lands Board; but has resigned the office of Chief Surveyor, Mr McKerrrow being his successor.

The new First Church was opened on Sunday. The Rev. Dr Beggs conducted morning service, and Dr Stuart that in the evening. Considerably over 1000 persons were present in the morning, and the collections at the two services amounted to £95.

A Chinaman died in a house in Stafford-street yesterday morning from an overdose of opium. He was a partner in the firm of Sun War On, merchants. At inquest yesterday, the verdict returned was that he poisoned himself while in a state of temporary insanity.

The Rangitira, with the Auckland cricketers, arrived on Sunday night. The match was commenced yesterday morning. Otago went in first. The following are the scores, so far as the match has proceeded:—

Otago (first innings): Meares 6, Lambert 9, Allen 2, McDonnell 1, Macfarlan 6, Downes 3, Garwood 31, Clark 6, Thomson 10, Rhodes 0, Cohen (not out) 0, leg-byes 3; total, 77.

Auckland (first innings): Bellars 2, Mumford 5, Alpe 7, Dufaur 6, Yates 1, Clayforth 19, Robinson 8, Sweet 19, Dixon 0, Buckland 9, Lankham (not out) 1, extras 7; total, 78.

Otago (second innings): Meares 0, Thomson 10, Rhodes 0, Lambert 0, Allen 4, McDonnell 8, Macfarlan 2, Clarke 6, Garwood 2, leg-bye 1. Seven Otago men were thus out for 33 runs. Play will be resumed this morning at ten.

A London telegram brought by the Albion on Saturday was to the effect that a panic was expected on the Stock Exchange, that great alarm pervaded all classes, and that the Bank of England rate of discount was nine per cent, and expected to increase to ten. The *Daily Times* of yesterday considers the telegram a great exaggeration. The latest *Argus* and *Age* Reuter telegrams contain nothing to justify the Melbourne compiler in sending such a sensational message.

LATER.

Auckland won match with four wickets to spare. Otago's score in second innings was forty-two.

QUARTZ MINING MEMORANDA.

BENDIGO.

The Cromwell Quartz Mining Company finished a crushing on Friday last of 110 tons, with a result of 318 ounces. The same description of stone is being raised still at No. 1 shaft, but in No. 2 the men are employed sinking. The latter is down about 100 feet, through payable enough stuff, but has not yet reached the richer lot which is being taken from No. 1. The company will be able to have two or three more crushings with an equally good result before Christmas. Speaking without any pretensions to absolute certainty, the three shares in this company cannot have paid their fortunate possessors much less than the handsome sum of £2000 a piece for the last twelve months; and this, be it remembered, in the face of the stoppage which the company experienced last summer for nearly six months, on account of the scarcity of water and the break-down of the water-wheel.

The directors and manager of the Reliance Quartz Mining Company inspected the claim on Saturday last. They found the shaft had been trimmed and put in good working order, and had been sunk to the depth of about seventy feet. They were highly satisfied with the progress which had been made. At the bottom of the shaft, (which is sunk within ten feet of the Cromwell Co.'s boundary,) the reef, which was reported last week as being between eighteen inches and two feet wide, has widened out to about thirty inches. No gold can be seen in the stone, but the directors were satisfied that it is a continuation of the Cromwell Co.'s lode. When a further distance of ten or fifteen feet has been sunk, it is probable that a trial of the stuff will be made. Within the last six or seven feet of the sinking, the reef has begun to dip towards the north a good deal.

Mr Colclough reports that the Lucknow mine "was visited on Thursday last by some of the shareholders, and was thoroughly inspected, with the view of preparing a report to be laid before the half-yearly meeting on the 10th proximo. The water has subsided some twenty feet in the workings, shewing that the tunnel is draining the ground. The tunnel is now in 325 feet, and a change in the reef is anxiously looked for. I might place a strong adjective this week before the usual report of the quality of the stone, were it not that some little indications of a change present themselves."

CARRICK RANGE.

The Directors of the Elizabeth have made arrangements to have the mill managed by Mr R. Hawkins, and Mr Towan will resume control of the mine after his return from leave of absence. A new reef has been discovered at the bottom level, which appears to be what is technically termed the second make. It is eighteen feet away from the line of old reef, and is from 1½ to 3 feet

thick, and presents the prospect of doing the company a more highly remunerative business than has enjoyed for some time.

The Secretary to the John Hall Company reports that they have not yet washed up, but will do so towards the end of the week. Six men have been employed, and two more were started yesterday morning. Work in the cross drive has been suspended, and the men are now employed stopping out. The tables are looking very well: the crushing is expected to go from 18 dwts. to 1 oz. to the ton.

There is nothing of any particular interest to report from the other claims on the Carrick this week. The Star will wash up some time within the week.

KAWARAU GORGE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

November 24, 1873.

FATAL MINING ACCIDENT.

It is my painful duty this week to record an accident which took place at the Kawarau Gorge on Friday morning last, by which Mr Joel Chapman, a miner well known and respected in this neighbourhood, lost his life. From the evidence which was given before Dr James Corse, Coroner for the District, at the inquest held on Saturday, it appears that the deceased, with his mates, Thomas Trevathan and William Trudgeon, had only been at work for a few minutes when the accident occurred. They were working with three hoses, Trevathan directing one and deceased another, while Trudgeon was engaged about ten feet beneath both of them in the tail-race. The top ground, where Trevathan and deceased were standing, had been stripped back a good way, so that apparently they were in the utmost safety. Deceased was directing his stream of water upon the ground in the middle of the paddock, and consequently his back was turned to the face, where the boulder which caused the unfortunate accident was seemingly securely bedded. They had scarcely been more than five minutes at work, when Trevathan saw the stone rolling towards the deceased, and he at once called out to him to look out. Deceased dropped his hose, and made a jump to one side to get clear of the stone. He would in all probability have succeeded in so doing had the shingly bank upon which he was then standing not given way, and carried him into the bottom of the paddock, about ten feet below, and probably right in the track of the rolling stone. Trevathan at once ran to his assistance, but before he could reach him Trudgeon (who up to this time had noticed nothing of the accident, a thing easily understood by those accustomed to sluicing operations,) had pulled deceased out from the rush of water. Trevathan then supported the deceased, while Trudgeon turned off the water and gave the alarm to some of the neighbouring miners. One of them, Mr Tait, immediately rode into Cromwell for Dr Corse's assistance. The Doctor was in attendance within an hour of the accident taking place, but deceased was long before beyond all earthly assistance. Trevathan, indeed, says that Chapman only gave one slight shiver whilst he was holding him (probably the last effort of expiring nature), and that he never otherwise showed the slightest symptom of consciousness.

No blame can be attached to any person. The ground is worked in the safest manner, the surface being kept well back from the working face, and the hose perfectly secure. It may also be mentioned, as a fact which added not a little to the affecting nature of the scene in the claim on Friday morning, that Trevathan and the deceased have been mates and companions for the last eleven years. The accident has cast a gloom over the district, as the deceased was well-known and respected, particularly among his fellow-miners. As a mark of respect, no work was prosecuted in the Gorge during the remainder of the week. Mr Chapman arrived in this Colony in 1869, and has been a resident at the Gorge for the greater part of the time since. He was a native of Roch in Cornwall, and was only twenty-six years of age.

The funeral took place on Sunday, and was one of the most largely attended that has occurred in the district,—as was to be expected from the high character Mr Chapman has borne amongst all classes, and the hearty good-feeling always exhibited for those who suffer from mining accidents. About two hundred people altogether attended on the melancholy occasion.

The verdict returned by the jury was that "deceased met his death accidentally while engaged in mining in his claim."

The *Tuapeka* paper says that a number of miners having left the Waipori diggings for the railway works, the claims originally held by the absentees have been taken up by other parties in many instances, and let on tribute to parties of Chinamen, which arrangement seems to pay all parties concerned.

The inhabitants of the Cromwell district are sometimes puzzled to know which is the best and cheapest establishment to purchase their supplies of drapery and clothing at. They should no longer remain in doubt on that score. If they will only pay one visit to W. TALLBOYS' London House, they will discover for themselves that it is not only the cheapest but the best store at which to deal for these articles. Mr Tallboys has made arrangements to import his stock direct from the Home markets, and the public can rest assured that everything will be sold by him at an advance only sufficient to repay the original cost, and return a fair percentage on the outlay. Every article in Mr Tallboys' establishment is marked in plain figures, from which no abatement is ever made. A fuller description of the stock will be found in advertisement in another column.—[ADVT.]

DUNSTAN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

November 22, 1873.

The prospectus of the Conroy's Quartz Mining Co. is now before the public, and it is hoped it may secure a favourable reception. The objects of the company and its circumstances being so fully and correctly stated in the prospectus, there is little need of my adding much thereto. The only thing much to be wondered at is, that this step has not been taken long since. It has been pretty well proved that gold exists there, and that it only wanted capital to drain the mine. The machinery is perfect, and there is a never-failing water-supply, with power to drive twenty head of stamps. Should the company be successfully floated, there is little doubt it will do well, both in the interests of the scripholders and of the district. —In other mining matters there is little new. What water is available for the commonage is being successfully worked, and the Chatto Creek race is still progressing favourably.

His Honor Judge Gray has been holding his Court during the week, the principal business being bankruptcy cases. I am sorry to hear his Honor is not yet enjoying very good health.

Mr Clapcott gave a lecture in the Town-hall on the advantages of Life Insurance, followed by a few readings, which were greatly applauded. He also stayed a few days, privately endeavouring to induce parties to get insured, but with what success I have not heard.

The tenders for the new Court-house were to be opened on the 22nd, so we may expect to see the work progressing soon. Atfield and Welsford's new stone shop is proceeding rapidly. The "bachelors' hall" by the Camp and Post-office reserves has been receiving its furniture during the last few days, and the intending occupants will soon be engaged in their stronghold. The stronghold and its inmates, they say, will resist the fiercest attacks of Venus; and her shafts, doubtless to be directed there; will be turned back harmless. Well, *sua cuique voluptas*; and if conjugal felicity be not ranked among the enjoyments of the inmates, the curtain lecture will not disturb their repose. I see the Immigration Minister is on the eve of a visit to the Province. Considering the amount of money he is spending on immigration, I think he would be adding one more laurel to his already renowned policy if he would clap a tax on these sort of establishments. It would, I am sure, be a fairer tax than the gold duty, which he pertinaciously holds on to; for if their inmates will not endeavour to people the country, it is fair they should have to pay for the people to come to it.

In every paper you lay hold of appears the demand for men,—shearers especially. Seeing the liberal advertisement of our neighbouring squatters, Messrs Strode and Fraser and Campbell and Low, one could wish that they will not be short-handed. The country also owes something of a debt of gratitude to Messrs Cargill and Anderson, Teviot, and to Mr Campbell, Wanaka, for turning their stations into a sort of training-schools,—the one to teach the art of shearing and the other of mustering. It is to be hoped they will be successful. I fancy, if Mr Campbell had been particular as to having his sheep mustered this year, he would, along with the "Chinkys," have wanted interpreters for the dogs. But as a year or two is immaterial to him, he may employ the interval in drilling the recruits himself. We might picture the scene: Mr Campbell, perched on an elevated position on his run, surrounded by a troupe of these intelligent Celestials, with the dogs in attendance, teaching them to give the proper whistle, and when and how to pronounce the "Get away forra'd," "Come in by," "Come in a-hint," and other portions of dog phraseology with which I am not acquainted.

CROMWELL ATHENÆUM.

ANNUAL MEETING OF SUBSCRIBERS.

On the evening of Tuesday last the annual meeting of subscribers to the Athenæum took place in the Town-hall. All the members of the Athenæum Committee for the past year and a considerable number of subscribers were present. Mr J. A. Preshaw, the president of the retiring committee, was in the chair. The business of the meeting was to receive the report and resignation of the retiring committee, and to elect a new committee for the ensuing year.

The Secretary, Mr Jolly, read the annual report, from which we extract the leading portions:—

"Gentlemen,—The duty devolves upon your committee to lay before you the fifth annual report of the Cromwell Public Library. Before resigning the trust they have held for the past year, your committee would briefly review the past, present, and future of the institution.

"Financially, your committee have somewhat improved their position. At their accession to office, they found a balance to their credit of the sum of £2 9s. 5d., whereas the balance-sheet now shews a credit balance of £22 5s. 3d. At the same time, they would remind the subscribers that they hand over the trust clear of all liabilities, besides having secured a continuation of the supply of Home papers and periodicals, and of several colonial ones, for the ensuing year. They would further remark that annual subscriptions to the amount of £31 are due from members, and may be collected within a reasonable time. It was the desire of your committee to have added many valuable works from eminent authors to the present collection of books. But after carefully perusing the catalogue furnished by the Education Board, your committee were only justified in marking off books to the value of £40, and of these only £17 10s. worth were sent by the Education Board,—many of these not up to the standard your com-

mittee would have wished. However, there is no doubt, when the next consignment arrives from England, our successors will be able to make amends by adding to the present collection many valuable works from both ancient and modern authors.

"Up to the present date the value of the Library properties is estimated at £280. The number of annual subscribers is fifty-six, and of half-yearly, six. Although these numbers will compare favourably with former years, yet your committee might reasonably have expected a greater amount of support from the public of such an important district; and they earnestly hope that the advent of 1874 will infuse new life into the institution.

"After our accession to office, it was resolved to change the name from the Cromwell Public Library to the more appropriate name of the Cromwell Athenæum. As you are aware, several gentlemen who have taken an interest in the success of the Library, inaugurated a series of Winter Evening popular entertainments, carried out under the auspices of the Library Committee, the funds to be devoted towards the building of an Athenæum hall and reading-room. In November last, the trust was formally handed over to your committee, the net amount of monies from these entertainments having reached the handsome sum of £187. We cannot pass from this part of our report without adverting to the valuable assistance afforded to us in raising the handsome amount above named for this institution, by those lady and gentlemen amateurs who gave the various entertainments, and we feel they are entitled to our thanks.

"So far, the thanks of the subscribers are due to the Town Council for their courtesy in allowing the use of the Town-hall for a temporary Athenæum."

The report then goes on to speak of the various efforts made to secure a site for the Athenæum, and urges the incoming committee to go on with the work with the £187 above-mentioned, and while the vote of £150 by the Provincial Council is still available.

"Having such an object in view, your committee made application to the Government for a grant of land as an endowment, having previously obtained the consent of Mr Loughnan on behalf of the Crown tenants, who very generously notified to the Government their willingness to have the right to the land on the lower flat cancelled in favour of the Athenæum Committee. It now only remains for our successors to complete the necessary conditions with the Government, in order to be put in the position of receiving a yearly rental on the property mentioned.

"In conclusion, we would strongly urge upon the subscribers to elect a committee of gentlemen who will energetically carry out the important scheme initiated by your now retiring committee. And in the event of a public hall being built during the next term of office, we would suggest to our successors the setting apart of a room for the collection of mineral and geological specimens. It is certain that throughout the multitudinous workings of the district, many valuable specimens are unearthed, retained for a time by the finder, but afterwards thrown aside; whereas if the committee had a room set apart for the exhibition of such specimens, there is no telling what grand results might be achieved for the benefit of the district. By adopting such a course, it might possibly be the means of developing and bringing to light the great mineral wealth of our district, which up to the present can only boast of its gold mines.

"With these remarks, we beg to tender you our resignation, and we can assure you, gentlemen, whether or not we have the honour again to sit in committee, we will ever faithfully watch over the interests of what, we trust, will one day be the richest Athenæum and most complete Library on the Otago gold-fields."

The summary balance-sheet is as follows:—

	Dr.	£	s.	d.
To Balance in November 1872	..	2	9	5
Total amount subscriptions	..	52	17	6
Sale of paper	..	1	1	6
Government subsidy	..	17	1	9
		73	10	2
	Cr.	£	s.	d.
By papers and periodicals	..	18	6	8
Sundries	..	5	16	6
Librarian's salary	..	10	0	0
Government books	..	17	1	9
Balance in Bank	..	22	5	3
		73	10	2

Balance in Bank, £22 5s. 3d.
Total receipts accruing from Popular Entertainments, £187.

On the motion of Mr Wakefield, seconded by Mr Johnson, the report was received and adopted. A unanimous vote of thanks was then accorded to the retiring committee.

The election was then proceeded with, and the following gentlemen were appointed to act as a committee for the ensuing year. (The numbers after the names denote the number of votes for each person):—J. A. Preshaw 18, D. MacKellar 18, D. A. Jolly 18, J. Taylor 16, C. Colclough 15, B. Baird 14, C. F. Johnson 14, G. M. Starkey 12, J. Marsh 12, J. Dawkins 10, and W. Taylor 9.

Messrs Ballard and Jenour were appointed to act as Auditors.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE.

At the close of the public meeting the newly appointed committee met, and appointed Messrs Preshaw, MacKellar, and Jolly, to the offices respectively of President, Vice-President, and Secretary.

Holloway's Pills.—Weary of Life.—Derangement of the liver is one of the most formidable causes of dangerous diseases and the most prolific of those melancholy forebodings which are worse than death itself. A few doses of these noted Pills act magically in dispelling low spirits and repelling the covert attacks made on the nerves by excessive heat, impure atmosphere, over indulgence, or exhausting excitement. The most shattered constitution may derive benefit from Holloway's Pills, which will regulate disordered action, brace the nerves, increase the energy of the intellectual faculties, and revive the failing memory. By attentively studying the instructions and putting them in practice, the despondent will soon feel confident.

BANNOCKBURN & CARRICK RANGE MINERS' ASSOCIATION.

In accordance with advertisement, a meeting of the above was held in the Bannockburn Schoolhouse on Wednesday evening, the 19th instant.

The object of the meeting was to determine what steps should be taken towards opposing the two applications made for mining leases over alluvial ground in the district; and as the matter was one of great importance, it was considered desirable that the proceedings should be noted. With this view, Mr Owen O'Neill was appointed Secretary. Mr Joseph Berry was unanimously elected chairman.

It was proposed by Mr Koch, seconded by Mr Mann, "That the President of the Association be asked to give an explanation of his conduct in the matter of opposing the Premier Company's proposed lease."—Carried.

Mr Crombie said he thought the grounds on which he objected would have been insufficient to overcome that company's application, and explained the unexpected risk he was put to in having to deposit £5 out of his own pocket on behalf of the Association. However, through some informality, the Warden did not consider the application, and he got his £5 returned. He further stated that he was now a partner in an application for a lease himself, and this would prevent him appearing, on behalf of the Association, to object to the application of the Premier Mining Company.—The explanation was received with unanimous disapprobation.

It was then proposed by Mr O'Neill, seconded by Mr Bruce, and carried, "That this Association object to the grant of leases to the Premier Mining Co. and also to Hazlett and Co."

Mr Mann proposed, and Mr Moore seconded, "That in consequence of the action taken by Mr Crombie in the matter of the lease applications, this Association has no confidence in him as its President, and that he be asked to resign the office."—Carried.

It was then proposed by Mr Bruce, "That Messrs O'Neill, Mann, Moore, Koch, and the mover be a Committee to object to the lease applications." This was seconded by Mr Koch. On the amendment of Mr James Crombie, however, it was resolved to prosecute the objections by means of the Committee of the Association.

After a vote of thanks to the Chairman, the meeting closed, and the Committee then met. It was resolved that the Committee guarantee payment of any expenses that may be incurred in procuring the signatures of objectors to the leases. It was also resolved that Mr O'Neill be invited to canvass the district to obtain signatures of objectors, and that the Secretary of the Cromwell Association be asked to appear on their behalf upon the hearing of the applications.

AUSTRALIAN NEWS.

The *Courier and Queensland* newspapers in Brisbane have been sold by auction for £13,656.

The Gothenburg has arrived at Adelaide from Port Darwin with 200 passengers.

A man at Yam Creek, Port Darwin, found thirty ounces of gold, and sold his claim immediately.

There is great difficulty still in getting machinery to the reefs in the Northern Territory.

The Melbourne bakers have succeeded in obtaining the eight-hours system.

Ballarat has been declared a new Episcopal Diocese. Dr Perry goes home to select a bishop.

Females are to be admitted to the Melbourne University. Their admission was opposed by the Anglican Bishop.

A clerk in the Victorian Land Office has bolted—it is believed to New Zealand—with £10,000 of Government money.

Don Juan won the Melbourne Cup by five lengths. He made the quickest time on record. Dagworth was second; Horatio, third; Arrow, fourth; and Lothair, fifth. There were 50,000 people on the course on the Cup day. The bookmakers won largely. Joe Thompson has bought the Don for £2000. Thompson won £12,000.

A Melbourne telegram dated Nov. 13, gives the following particulars regarding the Intercolonial rifle matches:—All the representatives have arrived for the rifle matches. The Auckland men arrived after the match commenced, and had therefore no opportunity of practice. All seem well pleased with the treatment they receive. They all mess together at the barracks in St. Kilda road, and receive free passes everywhere. On the first day Victoria won the Intercolonial small bore match with 37 points, against New South Wales. Sydney won the All-comers match. The Intercolonial military weapon match, 20 a side, competed for by Victoria, New South Wales, and New Zealand, was won by New South Wales by 65 points. The highest aggregate scorers for New Zealand at the three ranges were Small and Christie, with 85 points each; for Victoria, Whalley 89, Hannay 88. On the conclusion of the match, cheers were given for the different teams. Captain Goldie responded for New Zealand. At the 200 yards range New Zealand headed Victoria, but they fell off afterwards. The general matches commence to-day, in which all the representatives will compete. Walker has been chosen captain of the New Zealand team.

The next Colonial Volunteer Prize Firing is to be held at Napier.

F O R S A L E

One THIRD SHARE in RACE and CLAIM at KAWARAU GORGE.—Apply to D. MacKELLAR.

THE Undersigned has for sale FORTY TONS POTATOES, first quality. To be sold cheap.

G. W. GOODGER,
Junction Commercial Hotel, Cromwell.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.

FORTY MEN to LEARN SHEARING at Teviot Station, at Fifteen Shillings per hundred sheep. Beginners preferred.

CARGILL & ANDERSON.

F O R S A L E, ON THE BANNOCKBURN.

One THIRD SHARE in a WATER RACE and CLAIM, known as Marshall and party's, on the Bannockburn.

The owner is selling out on account of ill health.—Apply to D. MacKELLAR.

CARRICK RANGE WATER SUPPLY CO., REGISTERED.

Notice is hereby given that the SHARE LIST of the above Company will be CLOSED on MONDAY, 1st December next ensuing.

After that date, the Directors may re-open the List at such premium as may then be determined upon.

D. MacKELLAR,
Manager.

PROSPECTUS OF THE CARDRONA VALLEY GREAT EXTENDED GOLD MINING COMPANY.

To be Registered under the Mining Companies Limited Liability Act.

Capital, £5000, in shares of £1 each.
Two shillings and sixpence per share to be paid on application, and two shillings and sixpence on allotment, and the remainder in calls of not more than two shillings and sixpence.

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS:
Mr ROBERT M'DOUGALL, Cardrona
Mr ALFRED AUSTIN, Cardrona
Mr THOMAS A. RUSSELL
Mr GEORGE B. BOND
Mr CHARLES AUSTIN
Mr OWEN MACKIN.

BANKERS:
THE NATIONAL BANK OF NEW ZEALAND, Cardrona.

This Company is formed for the purpose of following up the auriferous continuation of the Cardrona Deep Lead. A deed is now in course of preparation by the Government (see Warden's letter) in favour of Messrs Mackin and Bond, conveying to them a special grant of one mile of the Cardrona Creek at Spott's Creek, about six miles south of Albertown, and about ten miles north of the present Cardrona township.

It is scarcely necessary to mention that it is the largest mining grant on record, and the auriferous nature of the Cardrona Creek is too well known for even the most sceptical to have a doubt of the favourable results of the company.

It is well known that rich deposits were found in tributary gullies falling into the main Cardrona Creek where Messrs Mackin and Bond's grant is, and it is equally well known that gold was discovered at the head of their grant, and could be worked to advantage but for the want of capital by the prospectors.

It is also worthy of remark that gold can be found on both sides of the range along the course of the Cardrona Valley to Albertown.

Again, reverting to the auriferous nature of the Cardrona Creek, the Escort returns will dispel any doubt that may arise on the present and future prospects of the Cardrona gold-field.

The Provisional Directors are of the opinion that not more than seven shillings and sixpence per share will be required, as they are impressed with the belief that the ground is not more than 15 feet deep. And by cutting the valley flat across, along with the aid of a tail race, so as to effectually drain the ground, they are confident of a successful issue.

Messrs Mackin and Bond were at considerable expense for survey and other outlay in inducing the Government to grant their application. Therefore, they claim jointly 600 paid-up shares for surrendering their rights to us for the purpose of forming a Company.

Immediately one half of the shares are subscribed for, a meeting of the shareholders will be called to elect directors.

Applications for information and shares can be made to

Mr ROBERT M'DOUGALL,
Arrowtown, and
Mr OWEN MACKIN,
Cardrona.

Agent for Cromwell: C. COLCLOUGH.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The ordinary fortnightly meeting of the above Council was held on Thursday evening last, in the Town-hall. Present: The Mayor (Mr. Dawkins), Crs. Jolly, Wright, Shanly, and Pierce.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

FRESH ELECTION OF AUDITOR.

The Town Clerk also read a minute of the proceedings at the election of auditor on Thursday, the 13th inst., when Mr. Jenour, being the only candidate, had been declared duly elected.

Mr. Jenour not having taken the necessary declaration within the time prescribed by law, it was decided that a fresh election must take place; and Thursday, the 4th December, was fixed as the day on which it should be held.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The only outward correspondence was a letter to the District Surveyor at Clyde, informing him that the Council could not accept the plan of the town furnished by him, as it would not answer the purpose designed to be answered.

The inward consisted of two letters: one from the Under-Secretary at Wellington, acknowledging the information of the election of Mr. Dawkins as Mayor; the other from the Receiver of Land Revenue, Dunedin, referring the Council to the Chief Commissioner for information in regard to the sale of town sections.

PERMANENT LEVELS.

Cr. Jolly brought up the report of the Public Works Committee in connection with Mr. Smythies' plan of the above. It suggested several alterations in the gradients proposed by Mr. Smythies. The report was adopted.

ACCOUNTS.

K. Pretsch's account for £11 18s. 6d. was passed for payment; as also was J. Wright's for £10. An account from Mr. Henry, mail-contractor, for conveyance on five occasions during winter of the mails from Clyde, was held over for further information.

BYE-LAWS.

It was decided that a Committee of the whole Council should meet on Monday, for the purpose of framing a code of bye-laws for the use and guidance of the Municipality.

EXTENSION OF THE FOOTPATH.

Cr. Pierce drew attention to the desirability of forming the footpath from the Post-office to Mr. Grant's residence. As it was intended shortly to proceed with the permanent formation of the street between the points named, the matter was left over for the present.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

By Cr. Jolly: "That a map of the town, certified correct by the Chief Surveyor, be produced from Dunedin."

A vote of thanks to the Mayor concluded the proceedings.

WARDEN'S COURT.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21.

(Before W. Lawrence Simpson, Esq., Warden.)

APPLICATIONS.

Extended Claims.—Magnus Hedlund, two acres on bank of Kawarau river: granted.—John Oliver and four others, five acres at Little Moonlight: application ordered to be renewed.—Ah Hung and another, two acres at Five-mile creek, Mt. Pisa: granted.—James Kennedy and another, two acres at upper terrace, Brown's flat, Kirtleburn: granted.—Edward McNulty, three acres on Brown's flat, Kirtleburn: granted.

Protection.—Protection for ninety days for a quartz claim at Boudiga was applied for by Thomas Logan and two others, the reason given for requiring protection being to arrange for pumping machinery. Application was granted, there being no objection; but the Warden said he would not renew the protection unless some greater effort were made by the applicants to get pumping machinery than appeared to have been made hitherto.

Tail Races.—James Kennedy and another, 200 yards from extended claim, Kirtleburn: granted.—Ah Leong and five others, 500 yards from claim at Nevis river: granted.—Ah Hung and another, 200 yards from extended claim: granted.

Water Races.—James Kennedy and another applied for a water-race two miles in length, to carry three sluice-heads, from first creek east of Nevis river; they also applied for an extension, two miles in length, on licensed water-race 352, 1/8/71. They also applied for one sluice-head from second creek east of Nevis river; one sluice-head from third creek east of Nevis river; and one sluice-head each from the fourth, fifth, and sixth creeks. All the applications were granted.—Ah Hung and another were granted three sluice-heads from Five-mile creek.—Ah Leong and five others were granted six sluice-heads from Nevis river.

Dam.—Magnus Hedlund's amended application for dam on Slaughter-yard flat was granted.

Residence Area.—Samuel Halcrow applied for one acre on Doctor's flat: not granted.

RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1873.

(Before J. B. Lake, Esq., J.P.)

John Fiskin, charged with being drunk, forfeited his bail.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1873.

James Emmerson, charged with the same offence, forfeited his bail of 20s.

William Munroe, charged with the same offence, was fined 5s.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1873.

(Before W. Lawrence Simpson, Esq., R.M.)

John Baker sued Edward McNulty for the sum of £49 17s. 6d., due on a sub-contract taken by the plaintiff to form and cut a certain portion of

the Quartz Reef Point road. Defendant did not appear. Judgment was given for £37 10s., being 75 per cent. due at present on the agreement between the parties. Costs of Court, and 25s. for two witnesses, were also granted. Failing payment, distress warrant to issue; and failing that, two months imprisonment in Dunedin gaol.

Owen Pierce v. A. Ritohie.—Claim £8 19s. 8d. Settled out of Court.

John Parks was charged with assaulting J. T. H. Brown on the 13th. The matter, however, was arranged between the parties before coming to Court.

The "Tablet" and Education.

Discussing the education question the *Tablet* administers the following well deserved rebuke to the Dunedin people. It says:—"A fourth primary school is urgently required in this city. The Provincial Government has granted £3000 for the erection of a fourth school, but a site cannot be procured. The Government has no land suitable, and the Corporation does not see its way to part with municipal land for the purpose,—and the consequence is, the building of the school is postponed. No site, it appears, is to be had; no landed proprietor in this city of education-loving people comes forward to show his appreciation of education by presenting his fellow-citizens with a site for a school which a generous Province is prepared to erect for their use at an expenditure of £3000. But what is more wonderful still, is that it never entered the heads of the persons for whose especial benefit this school is to be erected, to meet and by public subscription raise sufficient funds to purchase a site for a school for their own children. They would have no objection that the Province should superadd to the £3000 already granted for their benefit another £3000 or so to provide a site for them; but their doing this themselves is, it appears, not to be thought of. They have appealed to the Corporation to save their pockets, and an attempt has been made to bully that body into acquiescence; but no effort has been made by those gentry to do what is manifestly their own duty. Those who reside at a distance will measure these people's love and appreciation of education by the sacrifices they make for its promotion."

Further on, in speaking of the High School, it says:—"Somehow or other we cannot divest ourselves of the feeling, amounting almost to conviction, that the assault on the Institution is only a mask to an attack on the Rector, and our nature revolts from such meanness and cowardice."

Something to his Advantage.

"Snyder," in the *Auckland Weekly Herald*, writes:—"I am gathering together all sorts of funny facts in connection with people being made a convenience of. Some time back, in this go-ahead city of Auckland, a man ran into debt with a storekeeper, and having done this much he ran away. The tradesman, after a time, wrote 'bolted' on the credit side of the ledger against the man's name, went home to supper, and didn't think anything more of so common an event. About two years after he hears by chance that the man is living in Australia, that he had had a large property left to him, and was keeping a lady and a buggy. Now, as a summons from Queen-street, Auckland, won't operate in Bourke-street, Melbourne, the storekeeper hit upon an invention so ingenious that many a man has received a pension for one not half so good. He sent an advertisement to a Melbourne paper that if J.T.S.M., late of Auckland, would come over he would hear of something greatly to his advantage by applying to A. and B., solicitors, prothonotaries, &c. And J.T.S.M., under the impression that he was coming in for a second landed property, did come over by the next steamer, and he was served with a summons for the storekeeper's debt. I think this is making a convenience of a man, and I don't think that man liked it a little bit."

Mr Macassey at Home.

The following reference to a well-known New Zealand colonist appears in the *European Mail*:—"The other day the dwellers in and around Haverstock Hill were reminded by the appearance of the British flag, which does duty on grand occasions on the roof of the Orphan Working School, that something of importance was going on in that popular, useful, and well conducted institution. A fine day had brought together a large number of old scholars, who had been invited to the meeting, which takes place once a year. The chair was taken by an old scholar, who, about eighteen years ago, was one of the inmates of the institution, and had left it to push his way in New Zealand. He had had a good education at the Orphan School, and the sense to make good use of it. In the New World he had opportunities of advancement denied him in the Old; and thus it came to pass that the poor orphan of many years ago became the successful barrister of to-day, and that he presided at the meeting, and was introduced to the present generation of scholars as Mr James Macassey, of Dunedin, New Zealand. As he was attended by his wife and sister, and as he had a youthful appearance, very much unlike that of an old boy, and as he spoke with much feeling and good sense, and declaimed very strongly against the worship of mammon—a form of idolatry with which young people have very little sympathy—it is scarcely necessary to observe that he was received with uproarious applause."

Society in Wellington.

"After all she's only a colonial!" What delicious spitefulness, what exquisite femininity, characterises this summing up of the estimate formed of Lady Fergusson by the fashionable world of the New Zealand capital. Shortly after Sir James Fergusson's arrival in Wellington, a reception was given at Government House. It appears that on this occasion his Excellency and his lady took up their position upon an elevated platform or dais, and as the presentees marched past they were accorded a gracious smile. Lady Fergusson especially is stated to have exceeded the great Duchess of Sutherland in the dignity and courtly urbanity of her deportment. But this sort of thing did not consort with the ideas of the New Zealanders, especially the female portion, and who were accordingly not unsparing in their remarks. "Dear me," exclaims one, "what a huge tail our cat has got." "Fancy," replies another, "Sir George and Lady Bowen giving themselves such airs." "Put a beggar on horse back," interjects a third; while a fourth by way of a clincher urges, "after all she's only a colonial." In order thoroughly to appreciate this position of affairs one should be acquainted with society in the village-capital. With scarcely an exception the fashionable world is constituted of civil servants and their wives and families. They are about the worst paid but the most intensely aristocratic gentry that ever descended to accepting a position under a government. But if not liberally rewarded, they are numerous enough in all conscience. So much so that every ratepayer is said to carry a civil servant on his back. Officialdom is of the first water. Any mere chronic lightness of the chest is regarded as a simple accident of fortune, and cannot at all effect that innate consciousness of high social status and political importance which a share, however humble, in the great task of administering the affairs of the nation never fails to impart. In their eyes a Governor and his Lady are only sent out there to be quartered on the country, the difference, if any, being simply as to the rate of remuneration. Sir George and Lady Bowen, while in Wellington, took things as they found them, and allowed those great little people to believe that they were twice as great as they represented. What then must be the astonishment created by a mere "colonial" undertaking to "keep such people in their proper places?" Probably we shall next hear of Sir James and Lady Fergusson being permitted to enjoy uninterruptedly the seclusion of the huge wooden structure known as Government House, while the fashionable seceders resort to small tea-parties and scandal to compensate for any loss of vice-regal hospitalities.—*Melbourne Leader*.

A Shameful Deception.

(New York Tribune.)

The ways in which poor, harmless wives are deceived by marble-hearted husbands are many and dreadful;—and among the most dreadful cases of deception is this, which we grieve to relate. An Indiana wife, wearing only half a dozen pounds or so of somebody else's hair upon her head, became convinced that life wouldn't be worth having without the addition of a pound or two to the mass. Acting upon this conviction, she soon, by a series of conversations, convinced her husband that his life wouldn't be worth having unless the said addition were immediately made. Capitulating gracefully, he sent home two "switches" from which the fair lady was to make her selection. But mark the wickedness of this abandoned man? Before dispatching them he carefully changed the tags upon which the price was marked, putting the twenty-five dollar tag upon the ten dollar switch, and vice versa. After strict and severe examination of the two switches by his trusting wife and all her feminine friends, the one marked 25 dollars was naturally enough chosen. And that wretched man, that penurious fiend, exulted over his treachery to that gentle, loving woman.

SELECTED POETRY.

OUT OF THE RANKS.

One more unfortunate, weary of life,
Rashly importunate, taken a wife;
Treat him not scornfully, play him no pranks,
Drum him out mournfully out of the ranks.
He was once dutiful, manly, and gay,
Ere the false beautiful led him astray.
Make no deep scrutiny into the act,
Cause not a mutiny though he has tact;
Mark not the stains of him passed through the portal,
Little remains of him now but the mortal.
Pity expresses, "Alas! it is sad!"
Whilst Wonderment guesses "He must have been mad!"
O! it is pitiful,—makes the blood run,
To think, in a cityful, how he was done.
Where the gas blazes in vander small cot,
He first met the gazes of her with whose lot
His own is now mingled. She spoke in soft words
That jingled and tingled, of doves and such birds;
High she disparaged the life she was leading,
Whilst the garden of marriage she likened to Eden.
She spoke till Creation pealed forth to aught human,
"Life's sad desolation is banished by woman."
Dead to his history, he plunged from the spot
Into the mystery.—O! if thou art not!
Over the brink of it—and in no other way—
Drink of it—think of it,—dear brother, pray.

One more unfortunate, weary of life,
Rashly importunate, taken a wife,
The friends once around him their farewell have spoken.
Pity his weakness, strong-minded brother,
Leaving, with meekness, his life to another.

MISCELLANEA.

In an advertisement by a railway company of some unclaimed goods, the letter "L" dropped from the word "lawful," and it reads now, "People to whom these packages are directed are requested to come forward and pay the awful charges of the same."

The increase in the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows, says the *Foresters' Journal*, for August, has been, during the past year, upwards of 11,000, and the Foresters, during the same period, have added upwards of £25,000 members to their muster roll. The combined strength of these two great affiliated societies at present exceeds 900,000 financial members.

The following amusing resume of the descriptions of the Shah of Persia given by the German papers has been compiled by the *Madras Athenaeum*:—"The Shah is corpulent, thin, of a noble, thoroughly vulgar mien; tall, very short, and wears a black, remarkably variegated, entirely yellow uniform. His eyes are dim and fiery. He observes acutely, looks at everything with indifference, and wears gold spectacles made of steel. He is almost entirely bald, and a conical cap of cloth constantly covers his luxuriant falling hair. He drinks madeira and champagne exclusively, and lets nothing pass his lips but water. Gentle as he is, he took great pleasure in the roaring of the beasts at the Zoological Gardens, and rejoiced with his native cruelty at the bouquets presented to him there. He likes nothing but a voluptuous table and the ballet, and came to Europe only in the interest of his people to learn civilisation. Towards the ladies he is generally very gallant, severe, tender and wild. He is 42 years of age, born in 1831, and has been already a quarter of a century on the Persian throne, the ornament of which he has become in this short period of his reign, and in which it has been impossible for him to gain the love of his people."

There is one thing no family pretends to do without—that is a hammer. And yet there is nothing that goes to make up the equipment of a domestic establishment that causes one-half as much agony and profanity as a hammer. It is always an old hammer, with a handle that is always bound to slip. The face is as round as a full moon and as smooth as glass. When it strikes a nail full and square, which it has been known to do, the act will be found to result from a combination of pure accidents. The family hammer is one of those rare articles we never profit by. When it glides off a nail head, and mashes down a couple of fingers, we unhesitatingly deposit it in the yard, and observe that we will never use it again. But the blood has hardly dried on the rag before we are out doors in search of that hammer, and ready to make another trial. The result rarely varies, but we never profit by it. The awful weapon goes on knocking off nails and mashing whole joints, and slipping off the handle to the confusion of mantel ornaments, and breaking the commandments, and cutting up an assortment of astounding antics, without let or hindrance. And yet we put up with it, and put the handle in again, and lay it where it won't get lost, and do up our mutilated and smarting fingers; and yet, if the outrageous thing should happen to disappear, we kick up a regular hullaballoo until it is found again. Talk about the tyrannising influence of a bad habit! It is not to be compared to the family hammer.—*Life in Danbury*.

The officers of the 10th Hussars, when quartered in Dublin in the dandy days of 1832, or thereabouts, made themselves famous by their exclusiveness, their puppyism, and their affected sublime horror of the Irish barbarians. Many stories have been recorded of their entire disregard of the feelings of the people, high and low, with whom they were placed. Most of these stories were unfounded, but some, and these the most harmless, have been preserved. Lord E. F., captain of the 10th Hussars, sauntered one day into the Royal Arcade, Dublin. After looking about him he walked into a glover's shop, and asked to see some gloves. Several samples were shown him, and he selected a pair. While trying them on he inquired of the old lady behind the counter what was to pay. "Two-and-ninapence, sir." "Two-and-ninapence," he exclaimed, lifting up his eyebrows, "how much is two-and-ninapence?" "Three shillings all but threepence," replied the lady, smiling. "Aw," he said, "three shillings, I see." He took out his purse, and placed three shillings on the counter. The shopwoman opened the till-drawer, took from it three penny pieces, folded them in a bit of paper, and handed them to the officer. "Your change, sir." "My change! Oh! aw! yeas. Very good." He went on fitting his gloves. "Pray, have you a porter?" "There's a porter in the Arcade; shall I call him, sir?" "Oh, thank you, too much trouble, I'm sure." "Aw." "No trouble at all, sir." The old lady went to the door, and beckoned to some one in the distance. A man in a faded blue and yellow livery entered the shop. "Here's the porter, sir," said the old lady. "Oh! aw! thanks, I'm sure," rejoined the officer. "My man," turning to the Arcadian official, "do you know the Portobello Barracks?" "Portobello, sir! Sure, an' it's meself that does. Haven't I a cousin in No. 5 troop of the Tenth Hussars?" The officer, handing a card to him, pointed to the pence on the counter, and said, "Take that luggage to my servant at this address, and here's half-a-crown for your trouble."

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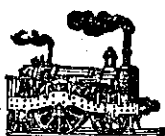
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